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#### EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Except where otherwise specified employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Authorities, together with Monthly Pay-roll Tax returns lodged by employers (other than Commonwealth Government Authorities, religious and benevolent institutions and public hospitals) paying more than £80 per week in wages (£20 per week prior to 1st October, 1953). They should be interpreted in the light of the prefatory notes on page 1 hereof.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees", and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

1. The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revision will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 9 and 10. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof. Relevant figures are as follows: -

AUSTRALIA : (Thousands)

(EXCLUDING employees in Rural Industries and Private Domestic Service)

	1952		1953				
	October	November	July	August	September	October	November
<u>MALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	1301.6	1300.6	1316.3	1319.4	1323.6	*1330.4	1337.9
In Governmental Employment-							
Commonwealth Authorities-							
Defence Group (a)	(b) 32.2	(b) 32.2	30.2	30.3	30.3	30.3	30.1
Other	127.5	127.4	127.9	127.2	126.8	126.3	126.4
State and Semi-Governmental	347.8	345.8	348.4	349.2	350.2	351.1	352.2
Local Authorities	60.0	59.7	59.6	59.6	59.4	59.7	60.0
2. Total Governmental	567.5	565.1	566.1	566.8	566.7	567.4	568.7
3. Grand Total in Civilian	1869.1	1865.7	1882.4	1886.2	1890.3	*1897.8	1906.6
Employment							
4. Defence Forces (Permanent,							
Overseas and National							
Service Trainees in Camp) (c)	70.1	62.1	66.0	65.5	62.8	62.5	57.0
5. Total, Civilian Employees,	1939.2	1927.8	1948.4	1951.7	1953.1	*1960.3	1963.6
Defence Forces and Trainees							

FEMALES

1. In Private Employment	553.0	554.7	562.8	565.0	569.1	*574.5	582.7
In Governmental Employment-							
Commonwealth Authorities-							
Defence Group (a)	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other	37.1	36.7	35.9	35.6	35.5	34.9	34.9
State and Semi-Governmental	64.1	64.0	65.1	65.4	65.4	65.4	65.4
Local Authorities	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4
2. Total Governmental	112.6	112.2	112.5	112.5	112.4	111.8	111.9
3. Grand Total in Civilian	665.6	666.9	675.3	677.5	681.5	*686.3	694.6
Employment							
4. Defence Forces (Permanent							
and Overseas)	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
5. Total, Civilian Employees	667.7	669.0	677.3	679.5	683.5	*688.3	696.6
and Defence Forces							

PERSONS

1. In Private Employment	1854.6	1855.3	1879.1	1884.4	1892.7	*1904.9	1920.6
In Governmental Employment-							
Commonwealth Authorities-							
Defence Group (a)	38.5	38.5	36.4	36.5	36.5	36.5	36.3
Other	164.6	164.1	163.8	162.8	162.3	161.2	161.3
State and Semi-Governmental	411.9	409.8	413.5	415.1	415.6	416.5	417.6
Local Authorities	65.1	64.9	64.9	64.9	64.7	65.0	65.4
2. Total Governmental	680.1	677.3	678.6	679.3	679.1	679.2	680.6
3. Grand Total in Civilian	2534.7	2532.6	2557.7	2563.7	2571.8	*2584.1	2601.2
Employment							
4. Defence Forces (Permanent,							
Overseas and National							
Service Trainees in Camp) (c)	72.2	64.2	68.0	67.5	64.8	64.5	59.0
5. Total, Civilian Employees,	2606.9	2596.8	2625.7	2631.2	2636.6	*2648.6	2660.2
Defence Forces and Trainees							

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production. (b) Includes migrants employed by the Defence Group under the emergency employment plan. (c) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel. \* Revised.

## I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE I : PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT - AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1340.8	1316.5	1316.3	605.2	558.7	562.8	1946.0	1875.2	1879.1
August	1341.9	1306.9	1319.4	607.4	553.1	565.0	1949.3	1860.0	1884.4
September	1343.7	1298.6	1323.6	608.2	552.1	569.1	1951.9	1850.7	1892.7
October	1349.3	1301.6	*1330.4	609.2	553.0	*574.5	1958.5	1854.6	*1904.9
November	1358.8	1300.6	1337.9	611.2	554.7	582.7	1970.0	1855.3	1920.6
December	1352.5	1299.4		608.6	557.9		1961.1	1857.3	
January	1352.2	1297.9		597.9	553.9		1950.1	1851.8	
February	1351.4	1307.3		592.3	559.9		1943.7	1867.2	
March	1351.2	1311.3		588.3	564.4		1939.5	1875.7	
April	1342.8	1314.7		578.4	563.8		1921.2	1878.5	
May	1335.0	1316.8		572.5	562.8		1907.5	1879.6	
June	1329.7	1319.0		564.1	561.7		1893.8	1880.7	

TABLE 2 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES - AUSTRALIA  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	572.0	577.5	566.1	115.0	115.5	112.5	687.0	693.0	678.6
August	570.0	574.9	566.8	114.7	114.9	112.5	684.7	689.8	679.3
September	563.3	572.3	566.7	112.5	113.8	112.4	675.8	686.1	679.1
October	559.8	567.5	567.4	112.4	112.6	111.8	672.2	680.1	679.2
November	560.3	565.1	568.7	112.8	112.2	111.9	673.1	677.3	680.6
December	563.4	564.5		112.0	111.2		675.4	675.7	
January	564.7	(a) 559.9		112.9	110.3		677.6	(a) 670.2	
February	569.1	563.8		115.0	112.1		684.1	675.9	
March	572.5	566.8		115.5	112.7		688.0	679.5	
April	576.6	567.7		115.8	112.3		692.4	680.0	
May	578.8	568.1		115.7	112.1		694.5	680.2	
June	578.4	567.8		115.3	112.0		693.7	679.8	

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 3 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES - AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1912.8	1894.0	1882.4	720.2	674.2	675.3	2633.0	2568.2	2557.7
August	1911.9	1881.8	1886.2	722.1	668.0	677.5	2634.0	2549.8	2563.7
September	1907.0	1870.9	1890.3	720.7	665.9	681.5	2627.7	2536.8	2571.8
October	1909.1	1869.1	*1897.8	721.6	665.6	*686.3	2630.7	2534.7	*2584.1
November	1919.1	1865.7	1906.6	724.0	666.9	694.6	2643.1	2532.6	2601.2
December	1915.9	1863.9		720.6	669.1		2636.5	2533.0	
January	1916.9	(a) 1857.8		710.8	664.2		2627.7	(a) 2522.0	
February	1920.5	1871.1		707.3	672.0		2627.8	2543.1	
March	1923.7	1878.1		703.8	677.1		2627.5	2555.2	
April	1919.4	1882.4		694.2	676.1		2613.6	2558.5	
May	1913.8	1884.9		688.2	674.9		2602.0	2559.8	
June	1908.1	1886.8		679.4	673.7		2587.5	2560.5	

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

\* Revised.

TABLE 4 : DEFENCE FORCES - AUSTRALIA

(INCLUDING Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp) (a)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	46.7	68.9	66.0	0.8	1.9	2.0	47.5	70.8	68.0
August	56.1	70.4	65.5	0.9	2.1	2.0	57.0	72.5	67.5
September	57.0	70.6	62.8	1.0	2.1	2.0	58.0	72.7	64.8
October	57.5	70.1	62.5	1.1	2.1	2.0	58.6	72.2	64.5
November	49.5	62.1	57.0	1.2	2.1	2.0	50.7	64.2	59.0
December	50.7	59.3		1.2	2.0		51.9	61.3	
January	58.6	67.5		1.3	2.1		59.9	69.6	
February	60.4	68.4		1.4	2.0		61.8	70.4	
March	62.0	65.8		1.5	2.0		63.5	67.8	
April	64.6	63.0		1.6	2.0		66.2	65.0	
May	65.9	65.4		1.8	2.0		67.7	67.4	
June	67.6	65.4		1.8	2.0		69.4	67.4	

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural Workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 5 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES - AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1959.5	1962.9	1948.4	721.0	676.1	677.3	2680.5	2639.0	2625.7
August	1968.0	1952.2	1951.7	723.0	670.1	679.5	2691.0	2622.3	2631.2
September	1964.0	1941.5	1953.1	721.7	668.0	683.5	2685.7	2609.5	2636.6
October	1966.6	1939.2	*1960.3	722.7	667.7	*688.3	2689.3	2606.9	*2648.6
November	1968.6	1927.8	1963.6	725.2	669.0	696.6	2693.8	2596.8	2660.2
December	1966.6	1923.2		721.8	671.1		2688.4	2594.3	
January	1975.5	(a)1925.3		712.1	666.3		2687.6	(a)2591.6	
February	1980.9	1939.5		708.7	674.0		2689.6	2613.5	
March	1985.7	1943.9		705.3	679.1		2691.0	2623.0	
April	1984.0	1945.4		695.8	678.1		2679.8	2623.5	
May	1979.7	1950.3		690.0	676.9		2669.7	2627.2	
June	1975.7	1952.2		681.2	675.7		2656.9	2627.9	

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

\* Revised.

TABLE 6 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excl. Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)									Defence Forces (b)
		Males			Females			Persons			
		Govt. Autho- rities (a)	Private Employ- ment	Total	Govt. Autho- rities (a)	Private Employ- ment	Total	Govt. Autho- rities (a)	Private Employ- ment	Total	
1939 July	349.8	943.1	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9	
1941 July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6	
1942 June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1		
1943 June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0	
1944 June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4	
1945 June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9	
1946 June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4	
1947 June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0	
1948 June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3	
1949 May(c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6	
1950 June	553.5	1,305.2	1,858.7	107.6	580.6	688.2	661.1	1,885.8	2,546.9	33.7	
1951 June	571.2	1,340.3	1,911.5	113.9	604.9	718.8	685.1	1,945.2	2,630.3	44.3	
1952 June	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4	
1953 June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4	
1951 Nov. (d)	560.3	1,358.8	1,919.1	112.8	611.2	724.0	673.1	1,970.0	2,643.1	50.7	
Dec.	563.4	1,352.5	1,915.9	112.0	608.6	720.6	675.4	1,961.1	2,636.5	51.9	
1952 Jan.	564.7	1,352.2	1,916.9	112.9	597.9	710.8	677.6	1,950.1	2,627.7	59.9	
Feb.	569.1	1,351.4	1,920.5	115.0	592.3	707.3	684.1	1,943.7	2,627.8	61.8	
Mar.	572.5	1,351.2	1,923.7	115.5	588.3	703.8	688.0	1,939.5	2,627.5	63.5	
Apr.	576.6	1,342.8	1,919.4	115.8	578.4	694.2	692.4	1,921.2	2,613.6	66.2	
May	578.8	1,335.0	1,913.8	115.7	572.5	688.2	694.5	1,907.5	2,602.0	67.7	
June	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4	
July	577.5	1,316.5	1,894.0	115.5	558.7	674.2	693.0	1,875.2	2,568.2	70.8	
Aug.	574.9	1,306.9	1,881.8	114.9	553.1	668.0	689.8	1,860.0	2,549.8	72.5	
Sept.	572.3	1,298.6	1,870.9	113.8	552.1	665.9	686.1	1,850.7	2,536.8	72.7	
Oct.	567.5	1,301.6	1,869.1	112.6	553.0	665.6	680.1	1,854.6	2,534.7	72.2	
Nov.	565.1	1,300.6	1,865.7	112.2	554.7	666.9	677.3	1,855.3	2,532.6	64.2	
Dec.	564.5	1,299.4	1,863.9	111.2	557.9	669.1	675.7	1,857.3	2,533.0	61.3	
1953 Jan.	559.9	1,297.9	1,857.8	110.3	553.9	664.2	670.2	1,851.8	2,522.0	69.6	
Feb.	563.8	1,307.3	1,871.1	112.1	559.9	672.0	675.9	1,867.2	2,543.1	70.4	
Mar.	566.8	1,311.3	1,878.1	112.7	564.4	677.1	679.5	1,875.7	2,555.2	67.8	
Apr.	567.7	1,314.7	1,882.4	112.3	563.8	676.1	680.0	1,878.5	2,558.5	65.0	
May	568.1	1,316.8	1,884.9	112.1	562.8	674.9	680.2	1,879.6	2,559.8	67.4	
June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4	
July	566.1	1,316.3	1,882.4	112.5	562.8	675.3	678.6	1,879.1	2,557.7	68.0	
Aug.	566.8	1,319.4	1,886.2	112.5	565.0	677.5	679.3	1,884.4	2,563.7	67.5	
Sept.	566.7	1,323.6	1,890.3	112.4	569.1	681.5	679.1	1,892.7	2,571.8	64.8	
Oct. *	567.4	1,330.4	1,897.8	111.8	574.5	686.3	679.2	1,904.9	2,584.1	64.5	
Nov.	568.7	1,337.9	1,906.6	111.9	582.7	694.6	680.6	1,920.6	2,601.2	59.0	

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp.

(c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(d) See Prefatory note on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951.

\* Revised.

TABLE 7 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES, NOVEMBER, 1953.

## STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousand)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	9.3	1.0	44.8	12.8	54.1	13.8	128.6	22.7	24.5	2.5	207.2	39.0	246.2
Victoria	15.7	4.4	33.4	10.2	49.1	14.6	90.5	19.5	12.0	1.3	151.6	35.4	187.0
Queensland	1.2	0.2	16.0	4.0	17.2	4.2	48.7	6.6	15.6	0.8	81.5	11.6	93.1
South Australia	2.9	0.4	11.9	2.6	14.8	3.0	37.4	7.5	2.8	0.3	55.0	10.8	65.8
West. Australia	0.7	0.1	7.8	1.9	8.5	2.0	33.5	5.9	3.0	0.3	45.0	8.2	53.2
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	3.9	1.0	4.0	1.1	13.5	3.2	2.1	0.2	19.6	4.5	24.1
Northern Terr.	0.1	-	2.2	0.5	2.3	0.5	-	-	-	-	2.3	0.5	2.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	-	6.4	1.9	6.5	1.9	-	-	-	-	6.5	1.9	8.4
TOTAL: Nov., 1953	30.1	6.2	126.4	34.9	156.5	41.1	352.2	65.4	60.0	5.4	568.7	111.9	680.6
TOTAL: Oct., 1953	30.3	6.2	126.3	34.9	156.6	41.1	351.1	65.4	59.7	5.3	567.4	111.8	679.2

(a) See note (a) to Table 6 on previous page.

TABLE 8 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees Camp are also Excluded)

(Thousands)

State or Territory	June 1948	May 1949(a)	June 1950	June 1951	Nov. 1951	June 1952	June 1953	October 1953	Nov. 1953
MALES									
New South Wales	702.3	721.4	740.8	758.2	765.0	754.4	734.3	*740.0	745.0
Victoria	473.3	489.3	510.7	525.8	524.3	524.4	521.6	525.2	527.1
Queensland	232.6	239.8	250.4	259.3	260.1	258.1	255.2	255.0	255.4
South Australia	149.0	155.0	165.7	170.0	169.9	171.5	170.6	171.8	172.8
West. Australia	109.2	112.8	120.5	125.3	126.6	(b) 126.0	130.2	131.4	131.9
Tasmania	54.5	57.4	58.4	60.2	60.9	61.0	61.8	61.3	61.3
Northern Terr.	4.0	4.2	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	6.0	7.2	7.7	8.1	7.8	8.3	8.5	8.3	8.3
Australia:	1730.9	1787.1	1858.7	1911.5	1919.1	1908.1	1886.8	*1897.8	1906.6

## FEMALES

New South Wales	261.9	269.9	278.5	290.9	295.2	270.5	266.2	*272.2	276.8
Victoria	196.7	202.5	210.0	219.6	220.2	206.6	205.9	210.0	212.2
Queensland	77.9	80.1	83.1	86.1	87.0	83.8	83.7	84.5	84.5
South Australia	50.1	52.2	54.3	57.0	57.1	54.9	53.4	54.5	55.3
West. Australia	37.0	37.8	39.9	41.6	41.5	40.5	41.0	41.8	42.2
Tasmania	18.0	18.8	19.4	20.3	19.8	19.8	20.1	19.9	20.2
Northern Terr.	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Australia:	644.0	664.1	688.2	718.8	724.0	679.4	673.7	*686.3	694.6

## PERSONS

New South Wales	964.2	991.3	1019.3	1049.1	1060.2	1024.9	1000.5	*1012.2	1021.8
Victoria	670.0	691.8	720.7	745.4	744.5	731.0	727.5	735.2	739.3
Queensland	310.5	319.9	333.5	345.4	347.1	341.9	338.9	339.5	339.9
South Australia	199.1	207.2	220.0	227.0	227.0	226.4	224.0	226.3	228.1
West. Australia	146.2	150.6	160.4	166.9	168.1	(b) 166.5	171.2	173.2	174.1
Tasmania	72.5	76.2	77.8	80.5	80.7	80.8	81.9	81.2	81.5
Northern Terr.	4.6	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.7
Aust. Cap. Terr.	7.8	9.3	9.8	10.6	10.2	10.8	11.0	10.8	10.8
Australia:	2374.9	2451.2	2546.9	2630.3	2643.1	2587.5	2560.5	*2584.1	2601.2

(a) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(b) Affected by industrial dispute.

\* Revised.

## II : EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	June 1948	November 1952	June 1953	July 1953	October *1953	November 1953
<b>MALES</b>						
Forestry, Fishing and Trappings:	27.4	25.0	26.1	26.1	25.7	25.7
Mining - Gold	9.4	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.8
Silver, Lead, Zinc	7.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6
Coal	26.2	30.3	(h) 28.8	29.4	29.5	29.6
Other (Incl. Quarries)	9.4	11.8	11.6	11.6	11.4	11.5
Total Mining and Quarrying:	52.7	59.8	58.0	58.5	58.3	58.5
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	625.0	645.5	666.3	667.2	675.3	679.4
Other (b)	55.5	60.1	60.1	60.2	60.5	60.4
Total Manufacturing:	680.5	705.6	726.4	727.4	735.8	739.8
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately Employed) (c)	85.9	94.6	91.3	91.0	89.9	90.0
Other (d)	81.9	99.9	101.9	100.2	100.7	101.4
Total Building and Construction:	167.8	194.5	193.2	191.2	190.6	191.4
Transport and Communications:						
Road Transport	82.1	82.0	82.0	81.6	82.0	82.2
Shipping and Stevedoring	43.3	49.3	48.8	47.7	49.0	48.4
Rail and Air Transport	96.5	104.8	104.9	104.7	105.3	105.6
Communication	48.0	58.2	59.4	59.7	60.1	60.3
Total Transport, etc.:	269.9	294.3	295.1	293.7	296.4	296.5
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	49.4	55.4	56.4	56.3	56.2	56.2
Commerce - Wholesale Trade	92.9	110.8	112.2	112.1	113.2	113.7
Primary Produce Agencies	19.4	23.8	22.4	21.2	24.0	24.3
Retail Trade	123.3	124.0	125.0	124.3	125.5	127.8
Total Commerce:	235.6	258.6	259.6	257.6	262.7	265.8
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	84.3	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.5	97.5
Other						
Law and Order	17.1	19.7	20.0	20.0	20.1	20.1
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	24.5	25.1	25.5	25.6	25.8	25.8
Education	28.6	33.7	35.4	35.2	35.0	35.3
Other Professional	11.1	11.8	12.0	12.0	12.1	12.2
Entertainment, Sport	17.7	18.4	18.2	18.1	18.5	18.5
Personal Service (e)	52.9	52.1	51.6	51.4	51.7	51.9
Total Other:	163.3	172.2	174.1	173.7	174.6	175.2
Migrants Employed by Commonwealth Government on special tasks:	-	2.4	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>1730.0</b>	<b>1865.7</b>	<b>1886.8</b>	<b>1882.4</b>	<b>1897.8</b>	<b>1906.6</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping:	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mining and Quarrying:	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	208.0	194.0	202.9	204.2	211.1	213.2
Other (b)	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9
Total Manufacturing:	213.9	200.9	209.8	211.1	218.0	220.1
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)	2.9	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.5
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	6.8	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4
Rail and Air Transport	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.7
Communication	18.3	18.7	17.9	17.9	17.9	17.8
Total Transport, etc.:	35.0	37.2	36.2	36.2	36.0	36.0

(h) Affected by industrial dispute. For other notes see page 9. \* Revised.

TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	June 1948	November 1952	June 1953	July 1953	October * 1953	November 1953
FEMALES (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance):	24.2	32.1	32.4	32.4	32.3	32.6
Commerce - Wholesale Trade	28.5	34.1	34.0	34.2	35.0	35.2
Primary Produce Agencies	4.2	5.4	5.1	5.1	5.4	5.4
Retail Trade	109.3	111.0	109.9	109.8	111.5	116.7
Total Commerce:	142.0	150.5	149.0	149.1	151.9	157.3
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	25.0	27.7	27.4	27.9	27.2	27.4
Other						
Law and Order	7.5	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Health Services	59.6	68.2	68.8	69.4	70.2	70.1
Education	37.1	42.0	43.3	43.3	43.6	43.7
Other Professional	8.3	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.4
Entertainment, Sport	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6
Personal Service (e)	70.4	67.2	65.8	64.8	65.9	66.1
Total Other:	200.3	213.1	213.5	213.1	215.3	215.6
TOTAL:	644.0	666.9	673.7	675.3	686.3	694.6
PERSONS						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping:	27.5	25.2	26.3	26.3	25.9	25.9
Mining - Gold	9.5	8.2	8.0	8.1	8.0	8.0
Silver, Lead, Zinc	7.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8
Coal	26.3	30.5	(h) 29.0	29.6	29.7	29.8
Other (incl. Quarries)	9.6	12.1	12.0	11.9	11.7	11.8
Total Mining and Quarrying:	53.3	60.7	58.9	59.4	59.2	59.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	833.0	839.5	869.2	871.4	886.4	892.6
Other (b)	61.4	67.0	67.0	67.1	67.4	67.3
Total Manufacturing:	894.4	906.5	936.2	938.5	953.8	959.9
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately Employed)(c)	88.3	97.2	93.8	93.6	92.6	92.7
Other (d)	82.4	101.6	103.7	102.0	102.5	103.2
Total Building and Construction:	170.7	198.8	197.5	195.6	195.1	195.9
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	88.9	90.3	90.3	89.8	90.0	90.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	45.4	51.7	51.1	50.0	51.4	50.8
Rail and Air Transport	104.3	112.6	112.6	112.5	113.0	113.3
Communication	66.3	76.9	77.3	77.6	78.0	78.1
Total Transport, etc.:	304.9	331.5	331.3	329.9	332.4	332.5
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	73.6	87.5	88.8	88.7	88.5	88.8
Commerce - Wholesale Trade	121.4	144.9	146.2	146.3	148.2	148.9
Primary Produce Agencies	23.6	29.2	27.5	26.3	29.4	29.7
Retail Trade	232.6	235.0	234.9	234.1	237.0	244.5
Total Commerce:	377.6	409.1	408.6	406.7	414.6	423.1
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.:	109.3	125.6	125.3	125.8	124.7	124.9
Other						
Law and Order	24.6	28.3	28.7	28.7	28.9	28.9
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3
Health Services	84.1	93.3	94.3	95.0	96.0	95.9
Education	65.7	75.7	78.7	78.5	78.6	79.0
Other Professional	19.4	21.2	21.3	21.4	21.4	21.6
Entertainment, Sport	26.1	27.1	26.9	26.7	27.1	27.1
Personal Service (e)	123.3	119.3	117.4	116.2	117.6	118.0
Total Other:	363.6	385.3	387.6	386.8	389.9	390.8
Migrants employed by Commonwealth						
Government on special tasks:	-	2.4	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	2374.9	2532.6	2560.5	2557.7	2584.1	2601.2

(h) Affected by industrial dispute. For other notes see page 9.

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8. TABLE 10 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS  
STATES - NOVEMBER, 1953

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp are also excluded)  
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	AUST. (f)
<u>MALES</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping ..	8.5	5.5	5.5	1.7	2.2	2.1	25.7
Mining and Quarrying ..	30.6	5.1	9.4	1.6	8.3	3.2	58.5
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	278.6	210.8	71.6	66.4	34.0	18.0	679.4
Other (b) ..	26.6	17.2	10.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	60.4
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	305.2	228.0	81.6	68.9	36.5	18.5	739.8
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) ..	63.9	48.4	29.9	18.6	17.0	10.0	191.4
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	16.5	11.0	8.6	6.3	4.0	2.0	48.4
Rail and Air Transport ..	38.6	22.3	20.6	10.6	10.5	2.5	105.6
Other Transport and Communication ..	57.9	37.3	21.9	12.1	8.5	4.0	142.5
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.) ..	21.8	17.0	7.7	4.7	3.5	1.4	56.2
Retail Trade ..	50.8	36.4	15.6	11.8	9.3	3.6	127.8
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	48.0	38.4	19.2	14.1	13.6	4.2	138.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	35.8	28.1	11.5	7.6	6.9	3.7	97.5
Other Industries (g) ..	67.4	49.6	23.9	14.8	11.6	6.1	175.2
<u>TOTAL MALES</u>	745.0	527.1	255.4	172.8	131.9	61.3	1906.6
<u>FEMALES</u>							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	91.6	83.5	13.6	14.5	6.2	3.8	213.2
Other (b) ..	0.9	2.1	2.8	0.1	0.9	-	6.9
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	92.5	85.6	16.4	14.6	7.1	3.8	220.1
Rail and Air Transport ..	3.3	1.9	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.1	7.7
Other Transport and Communication (including Shipping, etc.) ..	10.6	8.5	4.1	2.5	1.4	1.1	28.3
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.) ..	14.2	9.3	3.9	2.5	1.8	0.8	32.6
Retail Trade ..	44.4	31.3	15.4	11.7	9.7	4.0	116.7
Wholesale and other Commerce ..	16.0	10.7	5.9	3.7	3.3	1.0	40.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	10.6	6.6	4.4	1.5	2.0	0.9	27.4
Other Industries (g) ..	85.2	58.3	33.1	18.1	16.5	8.5	221.2
<u>TOTAL FEMALES</u>	276.8	212.2	84.5	55.3	42.2	20.2	694.6
<u>PERSONS</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping ..	8.6	5.6	5.5	1.7	2.2	2.1	25.9
Mining and Quarrying ..	30.9	5.2	9.6	1.7	8.4	3.3	59.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	370.2	294.3	85.2	80.9	40.2	21.8	892.6
Other (b) ..	27.5	19.3	12.8	2.6	3.4	0.5	67.3
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	397.7	313.6	98.0	83.5	43.6	22.3	959.9
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) ..	65.8	49.6	30.4	19.0	17.3	10.1	195.9
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	17.6	11.5	8.9	6.5	4.2	2.1	50.8
Rail and Air Transport ..	41.9	24.2	21.9	11.3	10.9	2.6	113.3
Other Transport and Communication ..	67.4	45.3	25.7	14.4	9.7	5.0	168.4
Property and Finance, (incl. Banks, etc) ..	36.0	26.3	11.6	7.2	5.3	2.2	88.8
Retail Trade ..	95.2	67.7	31.0	23.5	19.0	7.6	244.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	64.0	49.1	25.1	17.8	16.9	5.2	178.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	46.4	34.7	15.9	9.1	8.9	4.6	124.9
Other Industries (g) ..	150.3	106.5	56.3	32.4	27.7	14.4	390.8
<u>TOTAL PERSONS:</u>	1021.8	739.3	339.9	228.1	174.1	81.5	2601.2

For notes see page 9.

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published annually in the Secondary Industries Bulletin. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed, or in which power other than hand is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public authorities, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public authorities on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes, Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestic).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestic). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

### III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, DECEMBER, 1953.

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, provided their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Figures published in Bulletins prior to March, 1953 related to 618 factories in New South Wales and 778 in Victoria. The survey has since been extended to other States and the movement of employment in 1055 factories in Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia is available from January, 1953 onwards. Approximately half of the total private factory employment in each State is covered by the collection.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

TABLE 11. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA						
1952 January	246,085	89,268	335,353	-	-	-
February	244,788	88,194	332,982	-0.5	-1.2	-0.7
March	243,779	85,616	329,395	-0.4	-2.9	-1.1
April	240,508	81,090	321,598	-1.3	-5.3	-2.4
May	236,900	77,539	314,439	-1.5	-4.4	-2.2
June	233,523	75,891	309,414	-1.4	-2.1	-1.6
July	229,057	73,606	302,663	-1.9	-3.0	-2.2
August	224,541	72,351	296,892	-2.0	-1.7	-1.9
September	223,767	71,830	295,597	-0.3	-0.7	-0.4
October	224,325	72,417	296,742	+0.2	+0.8	+0.4
November	224,336	73,074	297,410	+0.0	+0.9	+0.2
December	224,168	73,570	297,738	-0.1	+0.7	+0.1
1953 January	225,728	74,416	300,144	+0.7	+1.1	+0.8
February	229,031	77,432	306,463	+1.5	+4.1	+2.1
March	231,640	78,684	310,324	+1.1	+1.6	+1.3
April	232,528	77,760	310,288	+0.4	-1.2	-0.0
May	233,490	78,069	311,559	+0.4	+0.4	+0.4
June	234,752	78,147	312,899	+0.5	+0.1	+0.4
July	235,234	78,533	313,767	+0.2	+0.5	+0.3
August	236,335	79,076	315,411	+0.5	+0.7	+0.5
September	237,836	80,168	318,004	+0.6	+1.4	+0.8
October	239,768	81,946	321,714	+0.8	+2.2	+1.2
November	241,791	82,851	324,642	+0.8	+1.1	+0.9
December	242,304	83,136	325,440	+0.2	+0.3	+0.2
QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA						
1953 January	88,211	19,362	107,573	-	-	-
February	90,187	19,639	109,826	+2.2	+1.4	+2.1
March	90,961	19,750	110,711	+0.9	+0.6	+0.8
April	91,298	19,410	110,708	+0.4	-1.7	-0.0
May	92,733	19,256	112,039	+1.6	-0.8	+1.2
June	94,455	19,143	113,598	+1.8	-0.6	+1.4
July	95,653	19,358	115,011	+1.3	+1.1	+1.2
August	95,924	19,658	115,582	+0.3	+1.5	+0.5
September	95,608	19,768	115,376	-0.3	+0.6	-0.2
October	95,562	20,029	115,591	-0.0	+1.3	+0.2
November	95,363	20,220	115,583	-0.2	+1.0	-0.0
December	94,143	20,710	114,853	-1.3	+2.4	-0.6
FIVE STATES						
1953 January	313,939	93,778	407,717	-	-	-
February	319,218	97,071	416,289	+1.7	+3.5	+2.1
March	322,601	98,434	421,035	+1.1	+1.4	+1.1
April	323,826	97,170	420,996	+0.4	-1.3	-0.0
May	326,273	97,325	423,598	+0.8	+0.2	+0.6
June	329,207	97,290	426,497	+0.9	-0.0	+0.7
July	330,887	97,891	428,778	+0.5	+0.6	+0.5
August	332,259	98,734	430,993	+0.4	+0.9	+0.5
September	333,444	99,936	433,380	+0.4	+1.2	+0.6
October	335,330	101,975	437,305	+0.6	+2.0	+0.9
November	337,154	103,071	440,225	+0.5	+1.1	+0.7
December	336,447	103,846	440,293	-0.2	+0.8	+0.0

TABLE 12. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES 11.

Period (End of month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA						
1952 January	224,074	78,986	303,060	-	-	-
February	222,271	76,685	298,956	-0.8	-2.9	-1.4
March	220,960	73,878	294,838	-0.6	-3.7	-1.4
April	218,908	71,177	290,085	-0.9	-3.7	-1.6
May	216,413	68,928	285,341	-1.1	-3.2	-1.6
June	213,574	67,973	281,547	-1.3	-1.4	-1.3
July	209,444	66,015	275,459	-1.9	-2.9	-2.2
August	204,798	64,879	269,677	-2.2	-1.7	-2.1
September	203,762	64,600	268,362	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5
October	203,482	64,925	268,407	-0.1	+0.5	+0.0
November	203,377	65,358	268,735	-0.1	+0.7	+0.1
December	203,028	65,064	268,092	-0.2	-0.4	-0.2
1953 January	204,701	65,822	270,523	+0.8	+1.2	+0.9
February	207,428	67,369	274,797	+1.3	+2.4	+1.6
March	210,410	68,900	279,310	+1.4	+2.3	+1.6
April	212,589	69,881	282,470	+1.0	+1.4	+1.1
May	214,351	70,975	285,326	+0.8	+1.6	+1.0
June	215,793	71,180	286,973	+0.7	+0.3	+0.6
July	216,292	71,607	287,899	+0.2	+0.6	+0.3
August	217,238	72,027	289,265	+0.4	+0.6	+0.5
September	218,675	73,014	291,689	+0.7	+1.4	+0.8
October	219,741	74,207	293,948	+0.5	+1.6	+0.8
November	221,063	74,947	296,010	+0.6	+1.0	+0.7
December	221,439	74,873	296,312	+0.2	-0.1	+0.1
QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA						
1953 January	73,238	15,142	88,380	-	-	-
February	73,768	15,380	89,148	+0.7	+1.6	+0.9
March	74,185	15,711	89,896	+0.6	+2.2	+0.8
April	74,397	15,931	90,328	+0.3	+1.4	+0.5
May	74,966	16,039	91,005	+0.8	+0.7	+0.7
June	75,460	15,938	91,398	+0.7	-0.6	+0.4
July	76,047	16,021	92,068	+0.8	+0.5	+0.7
August	76,251	16,206	92,457	+0.3	+1.2	+0.4
September	76,343	16,358	92,701	+0.1	+0.9	+0.3
October	77,050	16,618	93,668	+0.9	+1.6	+1.0
November	77,615	16,922	94,537	+0.7	+1.8	+0.9
December	78,053	16,902	94,955	+0.6	-0.1	+0.4
FIVE STATES						
1953 January	277,939	80,964	358,903	-	-	-
February	281,196	82,749	363,945	+1.2	+2.2	+1.4
March	284,595	84,611	369,206	+1.2	+2.3	+1.4
April	286,986	85,812	372,798	+0.8	+1.4	+1.0
May	289,317	87,014	376,331	+0.8	+1.4	+0.9
June	291,253	87,118	378,371	+0.7	+0.1	+0.5
July	292,339	87,628	379,967	+0.4	+0.6	+0.4
August	293,489	88,233	381,722	+0.4	+0.7	+0.5
September	295,018	89,372	384,390	+0.5	+1.3	+0.7
October	296,791	90,825	387,616	+0.6	+1.6	+0.8
November	298,678	91,869	390,547	+0.6	+1.1	+0.8
December	299,492	91,775	391,267	+0.3	-0.1	+0.2

An industrial grouping of the numbers of persons employed in the larger private factories surveyed, males and females being shown separately, is as follows:-

**TABLE 13 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING**

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (Both States)				Percentage movement in employment	
	December 1952	October 1953	November 1953	December 1953	October- November	November- December
	<b>MALES</b>					
1. Building Materials	17,621	18,330	18,457	18,520	+0.7	+0.3
2. Basic Metals	28,281	28,845	29,048	29,349	+0.7	+1.0
3. Transportation Equipment	30,068	33,522	33,547	33,271	+0.1	-0.8
4. Other Metal Manufactures	57,840	62,149	62,610	62,728	+0.7	+0.2
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	11,095	10,807	10,873	10,922	+0.6	+0.5
6. Clothing and Textiles	24,810	28,742	28,827	28,911	+0.3	+0.3
7. Food	21,140	20,027	20,728	20,865	+3.5	+0.7
8. All Other	33,313	37,346	37,701	37,738	+1.0	+0.1
Total - All Groups	224,168	239,768	241,791	242,304	+0.8	+0.2
Total - Excluding Food	203,028	219,741	221,063	221,439	+0.6	+0.2
	<b>FEMALES</b>					
	January 1953	October 1953	November 1953	December 1953	October- November	November- December
	<b>MALES</b>					
1. Building Materials	1,505	1,620	1,653	1,648	+2.0	-0.3
2. Basic Metals	1,137	1,067	1,091	1,089	+2.2	-0.2
3. Transportation Equipment	2,554	2,731	2,818	2,813	+3.2	-0.2
4. Other Metal Manufactures	10,185	12,067	12,334	12,370	+2.2	+0.3
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	3,082	3,236	3,265	3,247	+0.9	-0.6
6. Clothing and Textiles	37,047	42,592	42,832	42,785	+0.6	-0.1
7. Food	8,506	7,739	7,904	8,263	+2.1	+4.5
8. All Other	9,554	10,894	10,954	10,921	+0.6	-0.3
Total - All Groups	73,570	81,946	82,851	83,136	+1.1	+0.3
Total - Excluding Food	65,064	74,207	74,947	74,873	+1.0	-0.1

**TABLE 14 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING**

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (3 States)				Percentage movement in employment	
	January 1953	October 1953	November 1953	December 1953	October- November	November- December
	<b>MALES</b>					
1. Building Materials	12,399	12,971	13,009	13,022	+0.3	+0.1
2. Basic Metals	3,306	3,379	3,359	3,397	-0.6	+1.1
3. Transportation Equipment	16,550	18,131	18,294	18,366	+0.9	+0.4
4. Other Metal Manufactures	20,119	21,015	21,119	21,216	+0.5	+0.5
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,077	4,098	4,070	4,026	-0.7	-1.1
6. Clothing and Textiles	5,198	5,298	5,444	5,509	+2.8	+1.2
7. Food	14,973	18,512	17,748	16,090	-4.1	-9.3
8. All Other	11,589	12,158	12,320	12,517	+1.3	+1.6
Total - All Groups	88,211	95,562	95,363	94,143	-0.2	-1.3
Total - Excluding Food	73,238	77,050	77,615	78,053	+0.7	+0.6
	<b>FEMALES</b>					
	January 1953	October 1953	November 1953	December 1953	October- November	November- December
	<b>MALES</b>					
1. Building Materials	714	795	790	791	-0.6	+0.1
2. Basic Metals	81	80	78	79	-2.5	+1.3
3. Transportation Equipment	835	857	859	859	+0.2	-
4. Other Metal Manufactures	2,136	2,508	2,632	2,692	+4.9	+2.3
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	573	630	635	643	+0.8	+1.3
6. Clothing and Textiles	8,557	9,321	9,455	9,368	+1.4	-0.9
7. Food	4,220	3,411	3,298	3,808	-3.3	+15.5
8. All Other	2,246	2,427	2,473	2,470	+1.9	-0.1
Total - All Groups	19,362	20,029	20,220	20,710	+1.0	+2.4
Total - Excluding Food	15,142	16,618	16,922	16,902	+1.8	-0.1

**TABLE 15 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - FIVE STATES -  
INDUSTRIAL GROUPING**

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage Movement in employment	
	January	October	November	December	October-	November-
	1953	1953	1953	1953	November	December
<b>MALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	29,927	31,301	31,466	31,542	+0.5	+0.2
2. Basic Metals	31,707	32,224	32,407	32,746	+0.6	+1.0
3. Transportation Equipment	47,364	51,653	51,841	51,637	+0.4	-0.4
4. Other Metal Manufactures	78,172	83,164	83,729	83,944	+0.7	+0.3
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	15,253	14,905	14,943	14,948	+0.3	+0.0
6. Clothing and Textiles	30,439	34,040	34,271	34,420	+0.7	+0.4
7. Food	36,000	38,539	38,476	36,955	-0.2	-4.0
8. All Other	45,077	49,504	50,021	50,255	+1.0	+0.5
Total - All Groups	313,939	335,330	337,154	336,447	+0.5	-0.2
Total - Excluding Food	277,939	296,791	298,678	299,492	+0.6	+0.3
<b>FEMALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	2,192	2,415	2,443	2,439	+1.2	-0.2
2. Basic Metals	1,132	1,147	1,169	1,168	+1.9	-0.1
3. Transportation Equipment	3,396	3,588	3,677	3,672	+2.5	-0.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	12,461	14,575	14,966	15,062	+2.7	+0.6
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	3,670	3,866	3,900	3,890	+0.9	-0.3
6. Clothing and Textiles	46,125	51,913	52,287	52,153	+0.7	-0.3
7. Food	12,814	11,150	11,202	12,071	+0.5	+7.8
8. All Other	11,988	13,321	13,427	13,391	+0.8	-0.3
Total - All Groups	93,778	101,975	103,071	103,846	+1.1	+0.8
Total - Excluding Food	80,964	90,825	91,869	91,775	+1.1	-0.1

**IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR**

**TABLE 16 : AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) - AUSTRALIA**  
Index-numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1000)  
Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

Year	Index-numbers		Quarter	Index-numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1951 -		
			June Quarter	1,915	1,984
1946-47	1,037	1,056	Sept. Quarter	2,020	2,107
			Dec. Quarter	2,129	2,182
1947-48	1,164	1,206	1952 -		
			March Quarter	2,183	2,258
1948-49	1,322	1,365	June Quarter	2,249	2,304
			Sept. Quarter	2,305	2,371
1949-50	1,451	1,505	Dec. Quarter	2,354	2,408
			1953 -		
1950-51	1,742	1,810	March Quarter	2,362	2,400
			June Quarter	2,377	2,436
1951-52	2,145	2,213	Sept. Quarter	2,445	2,504
1952-53	2,350	2,404			

(a) Including salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

**NOTE:-** The two series in the above table are not comparable horizontally.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1951-52 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1952 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

TABLE 17 : AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX-NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

## INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index-numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index-number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31ST OCTOBER, 1953.							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	318	307	281	302	318	314	308
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	312	302	288	298	320	315	305
III. Food, Drink, etc.	315	317	287	313	312	325	310
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	308	310	317	317	321	307	311
V. Books, Printing, etc.	355	349	329	342	348	361	349
VI. Other Manufacturing	316	305	281	305	314	317	308
VII. Building	349	331	310	321	337	333	335
VIII. Mining (c)	324	315	301	303	(d) 343	320	321
IX. Rail and Tram Services	319	309	289	298	312	314	309
X. Other Land Transport	312	296	277	292	312	306	301
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	342	348	343	345	345	346	344
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (f)	377	335	338	337	349	370	354
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. (f)	302	293	265	279	294	293	292
XIV. Miscellaneous	310	300	276	290	304	302	300
All Groups (b)	330	314	302	310	326	331	320
30TH NOVEMBER, 1953.							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	318	307	285	302	318	314	309
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	312	302	291	298	320	316	306
III. Food, Drink, etc.	315	317	293	313	312	330	311
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	308	310	317	317	321	307	311
V. Books, Printing, etc.	357	349	330	342	351	361	350
VI. Other Manufacturing	316	305	283	305	314	321	309
VII. Building	349	332	314	321	337	338	336
VIII. Mining (c)	324	315	303	303	(d) 343	320	321
IX. Rail and Tram Services	319	309	293	298	312	314	310
X. Other Land Transport	312	296	280	292	312	306	301
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	345	351	346	348	348	350	347
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (f)	379	338	341	338	352	374	357
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. (f)	302	294	268	279	294	296	293
XIV. Miscellaneous	310	301	280	290	304	306	301
All Groups (b)	331	315	305	311	326	334	321

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Average rates of wage prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Excludes district allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(e) Average rates of wage on which index-number are based are for occupations other than masters, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(f) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

TABLE 18 : AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX-NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index-numbers in the following table are based on average of wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rate for each industrial group in that State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index-number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	149	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
30th September, 1951	282	277	255	266	287	272	276
31st December, 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
31st March, 1952	312	302	285	292	312	298	303
30th June, 1952	321	307	295	299	324	306	311
30th September, 1952	335	322	304	315	334	317	325
31st December, 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
31st March, 1953	339	328	308	318	343	329	330
30th June, 1953	343	332	311	322	347	337	334
30th September, 1953	346	335	312	327	352	341	337

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI. (Shipping, etc.) and XII. (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

#### VI. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 19 : NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, STATES.

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1953), which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
October (e)	19,004	7,042	3,200	1,062	875	367	27,112	4,438	31,550
November	20,839	7,685	3,289	1,080	921	316	29,275	4,855	34,130
December	25,118	7,817	4,452	1,209	1,233	257	34,775	5,311	40,086
1953 January	23,653	8,416	7,034	1,205	1,136	189	36,817	4,816	41,633
February	20,867	5,158	7,002	730	816	188	29,940	4,821	34,761
March	17,802	4,422	5,882	644	701	223	25,303	4,371	29,674
April	16,871	5,454	4,972	658	700	250	24,446	4,459	28,905
May	15,351	5,630	4,333	576	654	243	22,517	4,270	26,787
June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
July	14,296	6,052	3,154	728	870	405	20,907	4,598	25,505
August	12,222	5,549	2,794	596	689	477	18,215	4,082	22,297
September	9,975	4,567	2,591	427	541	427	15,167	3,361	18,528
October	7,070	3,314	2,495	289	445	312	11,109	2,816	13,925
November	5,659	2,367	2,488	224	374	223	8,933	2,402	11,335

(a) Last Saturday of month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952 the figures represent the number actually on benefit.

TABLE 20. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (INVOLVING STOPPAGE OF WORK) - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES

Quarter ended 30th September, 1953.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
<u>Number of Disputes</u>							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	13	3	5	1	..	..	22
III. Food, drink, etc.	5	2	6	..	..	..	13
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
V. Books, printing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Other manufacturing	4	2	..	1	..	..	7
VII. Building	5	1	3	..	..	..	10
VIII. (i) Coal mining	224	..	26	..	..	..	250
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	1	..	1	..	..	..	3
IX. Railway and tramway services	3	1	2	1	1	1	9
X. Other land transport	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	29	3	23	3	..	2	62
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIV. Miscellaneous	1	1	1	..	..	..	4
<u>TOTAL</u>	287	13	67	6	1	3	382
<u>Workpeople Involved</u>							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	34,142	25,903	12,004	3,000	..	..	75,049
III. Food, drink, etc.	8,947	600	3,128	..	..	..	12,675
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	41	..	..	..	..	..	41
V. Books, printing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Other manufacturing	1,809	326	..	10	..	..	2,145
VII. Building	1,411	38	139	..	..	..	1,593
VIII. (i) Coal mining	32,448	..	1,406	..	..	..	33,854
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	445	..	16	..	..	..	519
IX. Railway and tramway services	8,677	106	524	1,594	129	526	11,556
X. Other land transport	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	19,184	4,825	10,437	3,460	..	1,220	39,365
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIV. Miscellaneous	30	41	9	..	..	..	127
<u>TOTAL</u>	107,134	31,839	27,663	8,064	129	1,746	176,924
<u>Working Days Lost</u>							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	28,036	10,560	7,602	1,500	..	..	47,698
III. Food, drink, etc.	120,090	780	5,732	..	..	..	126,602
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	308	..	..	..	..	..	308
V. Books, printing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Other manufacturing	10,042	3,388	..	50	..	..	13,480
VII. Building	7,196	884	2,187	..	..	..	10,317
VIII. (i) Coal mining	80,932	..	3,840	..	..	..	84,772
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	3,115	..	128	..	..	..	4,693
IX. Railway and tramway services	2,148	106	590	7,576	64	66	10,550
X. Other land transport	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	21,850	8,368	22,257	7,056	..	1,075	60,785
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIV. Miscellaneous	75	246	45	..	..	..	392
<u>TOTAL</u>	273,792	24,332	42,381	16,182	64	1,141	359,597

(a) Includes disputes occurring in the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.

TABLE 20. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (INVOLVING STOPPAGE OF WORK) - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS -

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Quarter ended 30th September, 1953.

(Continued)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
Estimated Loss in Wages (£)							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	83,480	31,569	18,627	4,500	..	..	138,176
III. Food, drink, etc.	345,377	2,390	16,590	..	..	..	364,357
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	1,350	..	..	..	..	..	1,350
V. Books, printing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Other manufacturing	31,568	12,257	..	148	..	..	43,973
VII. Building	22,876	2,873	7,739	..	..	..	33,611
(i) Coal mining	276,579	..	15,059	..	..	..	291,638
VIII. (ii) Other mining, quarries etc.	11,200	..	552	..	..	..	17,752
IX. Railway and tramway services	6,974	355	2,096	24,500	185	187	34,297
X. Other land transport	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	71,079	27,376	72,280	22,948	..	3,494	197,759
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIV. Miscellaneous	223	1,250	122	..	..	..	1,649
<u>TOTAL</u>	850,706	78,070	133,065	52,096	185	3,681	1,124,562

(a) Includes disputes occurring in the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.

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